

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Sergeant Chad M. Clemens's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Sergeant Clemens has devoted more than 20 years of his life to the service of this state and country in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and the state's mission during the blizzard of 1997; and,

Whereas, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

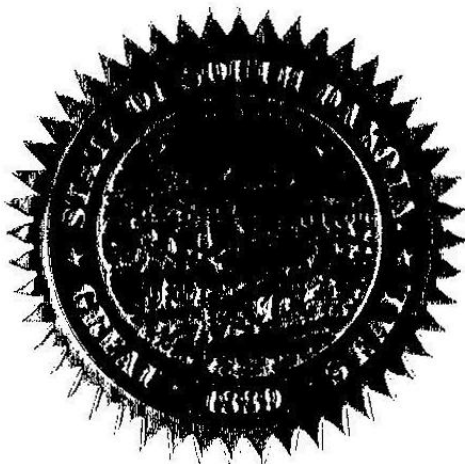
Whereas, Sergeant Clemens continues to give of himself; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Sergeant Chad M. Clemens for more than 20 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 31, 2009, as

SERGEANT CHAD M. CLEMENS DAY

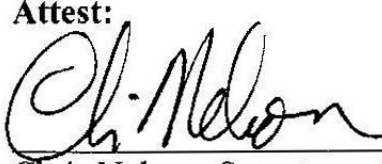
in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States of America.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-second Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Nine.



M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:


Chris Nelson, Secretary of State